

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2012 - HB 1871

February 24, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes a statewide voter registration database which would be maintained by the State Coordinator of Elections and would comply with the Help America Vote Act. Requires all county election commission offices to transfer such information to the State Coordinator's office on a daily basis.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- This bill creates the statutory authority for a statewide voter registration database. Currently, the State Coordinator's office maintains such a statewide database; however, the system must be upgraded in order to comply with the requirements of the Help America Vote Act. Tennessee has received federal funds pursuant to the Help America Vote Act in order to upgrade the current system. Therefore, there would be no increase in expenditures to the state to comply with the provisions of this bill.
- The bill also requires county election commission offices to transfer data to the Coordinator of Elections not less than once daily. Counties are currently submitting the required data; however, some counties are not transferring data on a daily basis. This requirement would not result in any increased cost to the local election commission offices.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director